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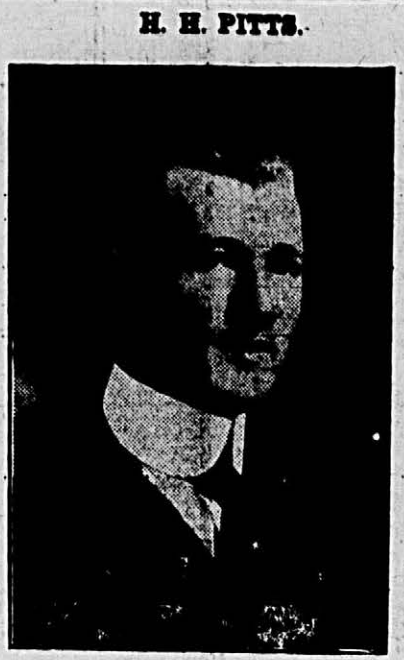
On Friday, October 19th, the annual University Sports will take place at the new Stadium. All students are expected to be on hand, and a special invitation is extended to R. V. C. students. Sports' day is, of course, recognized as a holiday by the authorities, and no lectures will be delivered in any of the faculties on Friday next, in order to give everybody an opportunity to be on hand. Go yourself, and bring friends.

REPORTS READ AT SOCIETY SATISFACTORY

Only Routine Business Discussed At Annual Meeting.

DAILY SHOWS A SURPLUS.

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H. H. PITTS.

PRESIDED AT ANNUAL MEETING OF STUDENTS' SOCIETY.

FORMER ARTS '16 MAN IN ARMY ATHLETICS

Corp. J. H. Schofield Trains to Run in Canadian Army Championship.

FRESHIES ARE "EASY STUFF" FOR AUTOISTS

Thrice Did Sophomores Speed Through Their Ranks.

MARVELLOUS ORGANIZING.

"Frosh," in Spite of Elaborate Preparations, Fell Victims, As Usual.

Tramp, Tramp, Tramp. The Freshies are on the war-path in full cry. With military discipline and stern array the youthful ones honoured the Imperial with their undignified presence. After getting more or less than their money's worth of the entertainment, and having amply and regrettably criticized everything in connection with the theatre, they again struck the trail.

"By the right, quick march!" and once more, headed by the valiant command-in-chief, they were off. After a slight detour a mysterious attraction drew them in the direction of the college.

Drawn up in imposing array in front of the Union, the Frosh were by no means lacking in confidence and self-approval.

Suddenly, a bolt shot from out the blue. That is, that was the illusion under which the Freshies were dazedly left. An apparently uninteresting car running at high speed slid through the conglomeration of youthful inactivity. With the swiftness of a thunderbolt the unfortunate youngsters were cruelly disillusioned. The uninteresting car, driven by its sole occupant, underwent an amazing transformation. Suddenly the whirling vehicle became alive with active forms, and ere the Frosh could even rub their eyes they were scrambling in unscrambled eggs. Then a settling cloud of dust and a faint odor of gasoline were the only evidences remaining to convince the unfortunate ones that it was not all a horrible dream.

For fifteen minutes consternation reigned supreme in complete suppression of all idea of retaliation. Then, awakening to the fact that they had been duped, the Frosh with set lips again rallied.

Tramp! Tramp! Along Sherbrooke, down Crescent and east along St. Catherine to Stanley, where they again stopped to plan a strategic movement.

Suddenly a concerted rush for the curb betokened the lightning re-approach of the enemy. Before the Frosh could take cover they again partook of the embryo chicken. With open mouth and staring eyes the Freshmen wept tears of rage.

In desperation the commanders again rallied the forces just in time to repeat the flank movement to the curb as the dreaded apparition again flitted by with a threatening and spiteful burst of speed.

This was the last straw. A supply of bottles was hastily secured, with the intention of scattering them (not roses) in the path of the enemy. A strategic movement was next attempted, the purpose of which we, in our ignorance of military affairs, were unable to appreciate.

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At a poorly-attended meeting of the Students' Society yesterday afternoon the annual budget was presented by the secretary of the Students' Council. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and adopted the question of the relations between the R. V. C. Undergraduate Society, and "McGill Daily" was brought up.

K. P. Tsolainos, the President of the Daily, read a letter from the R. V. C. Undergraduate Society, in which a resolution of that Society was embodied reaffirming the establishment of amicable relations with the college publication, also, notice of the subscription to the Daily of the members as a body. General satisfaction was expressed at the settling of this question.

The proposed amalgamation of the Theological Students' Society with the Students' Society of McGill University was then brought up, but the President announced that since the time did not seem to be ripe for such an action, and as the Council could not as yet see its way clear to the amalgamation it had been deemed best to let the matter stand for the time being.

A motion to this effect was passed by the Society.

The accounts of the Society were then read by Mr. Melville, secretary of the Students' Council, the statement being adopted as read.

After this the detailed financial statement of the Daily was read by K. P. Tsolainos, and adopted, and as there was no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned.

GERMAN MUSIC CUT OUT.

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Before the audience at the Museum of Natural History at the regular Saturday night lecture in the Board of Education series, this one being by Earl Barnes on "France," a representative of the board announced that many protests had been received against another of the free lecture courses, beginning Tuesday next, when W. H. L. Hubbard had been scheduled to talk, and Claude Gotthelf to sing and play in illustration of a German opera.

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Say, we are having some time. Of course I haven't got the chance of a snowball in H— of winning out against such men as Longboat, Tressider and world champions of all kinds. If by any chance I did get first, it would probably mean a trip to England for mine. I suppose you notice I am writing this like a streak, in order to catch the mail. The censor is only in the mood at certain hours.

Yours as ever,
J. H. HARPER.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL REPORTS VERY SATISFACTORY SURPLUS OF \$6237.26

STUDENTS' COUNCIL OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY—BALANCE SHEET AS AT JUNE 30th, 1917.

Assets.		
Cash in Bank	\$4,816.75	
Cash on Hand	150.00	
Travelling Expense Account	250.00	
Accounts Receivable:		\$5,216.75
Sundry	\$ 30.00	
McGill University	1,296.45	
		1,326.45
		\$6,543.20
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	415.32	
Souvenir Fund	7.10	
Damages Account	7.41	
Reserve for Repairs	200.00	
Surplus Account:		
Balance as at June 30th, 1917	\$4,494.13	
Excess Receipts for year 1916-17	\$1,429.24	
Less:		
Swimming Club, 1915-16	10.00	1,419.24
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		\$6,543.20

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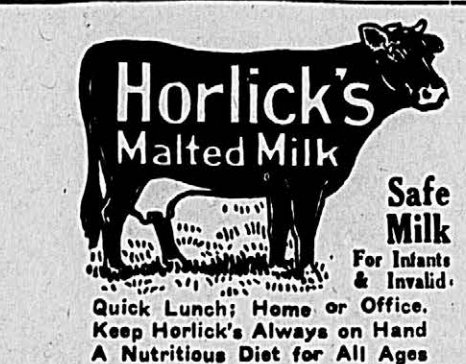
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SPECIALIZATION.

Not so many years ago the man with a broad and general education was very much in demand. Conditions were such that a rather vague idea of any special work or line of endeavour was considered sufficient justification for one's attempting it. The details and special qualifications were supposed to develop later. A general preparation was all that was necessary. But times have changed. The world of to-day demands knowledge of such a particular nature that to perform thoroughly and satisfactorily any given task one's preparation has to be definite. We hear on every side a demand for specialization. Whether it is in the realm of Applied Science, or in the professional teaching line, the demand is always for an expert, one who has excelled in the particular branch of mechanics or learning.

The average college man would do well to realize this important fact. It is not sufficient to get through examinations and carry away, at the end of four or five years a parchment declaring the holder to have attained academic distinction. The graduate will never go through life on the strength of his "sheepskin." He must be able to do something and do it well. If he is to take his place among the trained men of the sphere in which he finds himself he will need all the special knowledge that he can muster. The University trained man often receives a distinct shock on entering the world of "big things." He finds men who have never had the advantages he has enjoyed, who yet are able to do what he cannot. It may be that they can do nothing else of importance. Their's may be a single function. But in some one thing they are masters. The lesson is too obvious to need emphasis.

The objection usually urged against specialized training is that it is narrowing, and has a tendency to make men one-sided. The evidence for this proposition is often brought forward in the form of known individuals, who can master a problem in their own particular branch of mathematics, etc., and who are at the same time entirely incapable of keeping their bank accounts. We have all heard of such cases. But they prove nothing. On the other hand, we might mention the efficiency expert who can do everything, from reorganizing the administration of a boys' farm to setting up a drug factory. He has mastered details enough to make himself an expert in organization, and it matters but little to him what the organization may be. The point is, special training does not necessarily exclude the more general forms of knowledge. One may have to modify his desires for a time, in order to meet the pressure demanded by special study. But to eliminate all else because one has undertaken to do one thing better than the rest is to court narrowness. The problem then, is to find the mean between a too general and a too concentrated form of training.

At McGill, in some faculties, at any rate, the courses are so arranged that for the first half of his college course, a man is broadening his scope and getting his bearings on the sea of knowledge. He is finding out what it is to sail, and if he simply sails, he may make port—any old port. But if he uses his compass and takes his direction accordingly, he is far more apt to reach the port of some definite attainment. A well balanced education, therefore, ought to be the aim of every student in the University. It is quite possible to specialize without seriously interrupting the more general development of the mind in other directions. We often hear complaints and criticisms of our system, but may it not be that it is the individual who is at fault, and not the system? Before confining ourselves too closely to any one subject, let us think carefully. Before spreading ourselves over the whole range of courses offered, let us be more thoughtful still. And when we attempt to combine the special and the general, let us do it with the utmost possible care, that we may be men of erudition, and yet having our speciality.

REGRETTABLE OCCURRENCE.

Last night, in the course of the apparently inevitable contest between Sophomores and Freshmen, damage of a serious kind was done at the Hall, and it seems plain that the first year men were entirely to blame. Although as a whole, the main parade of freshmen through the streets was fairly well-behaved, the party that visited Strathcona Hall indulged in actions of a kind that would lead one to designate them by the name of "hoodlums."

A party of sophomores, it seems, warned of impending danger, had locked themselves into a room downstairs. When the freshmen arrived, on attack was made on the windows of the room, fronting on McGill College Avenue, and they were shattered by the kicks of certain of the rougher ones. Then, as it became plain that an entry could not be made in this way, the attackers made their way into the Hall and battered at the door of the room in which their foes were ensconced, completely smashing in one panel. The sophomores, attempting to parley with the first year men, at the sight of this damage, were answered with frantic yells and threats.

There is no saying how far the stupidity of some of the assailants might have gone had not some upper year men appeared on the scene, and pointed out to them the uselessness of destroying property, and the consequences that might result. Even then it was with difficulty that the freshmen were prevailed upon to withdraw,

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STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th, 1917.

Athletics.		Excess	
	Disbursements.	Receipts.	Disbursements.
Rugby Football ..	\$ 47.75	.....	47.75
Hockey ..	382.50	590.71	92.79
Track ..	35.61	.....	35.61
Athletic Association ..	18.25	.....	18.25
Basketball ..	25.75	.....	25.75
Swimming ..	5.00	.....	5.00
Tennis ..	575.51	298.70	275.51
Campus Rink ..	544.39	270.35	274.14
Care of Stadium ..	800.00	.....	800.00
Excess Disbursements ..	.....	1,575.80	.....
	\$2,485.44	2,485.46	1,575.80
Other Activities.		Excess	
	Disbursements.	Receipts.	Disbursements.
General Expense ..	\$ 97.47	.....	97.47
Literary and Debating Society ..	42.70	.....	42.70
Orchestra ..	5.00	.....	5.00
Mandolin Club ..	48.00	81.00	17.00
McGill Daily ..	5,503.58	6,237.26	733.68
Excess Receipts ..	571.51	.....	571.51
	\$6,368.26	6,368.26	733.68
To Deficit on Athletics as above ..	1,575.80	.....	1,575.80
By Surplus on other Activities as above ..	.....	571.51	.....
By Universal Fees ..	.....	3,867.65	.....
By Supply Room ..	.....	6.70	.....
By Bank Interest ..	.....	90.05	.....
To Office Fees ..	100.00	.....	100.00
To Office Expenses ..	959.87	.....	959.87
Balance—Excess Receipts transferred to Profit and Loss Account ..	1,439.24	.....	1,439.24
	4,084.91	4,084.91	4,084.91

McGILL DAILY—

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS TO JUNE 30th, 1917.

Receipts:		
Advertising ..	.....	\$4,500.00
Subscriptions:		
Students ..	.....	1,354.25
Graduates ..	.....	278.85
Weekly Issue ..	.....	185.50
Sale of Papers ..	.....	86
Sale of Old Papers ..	.....	8.40
Sale of Old Cuts ..	.....	9.40
	.....	\$6,237.26
Disbursements:		
Printing Paper ..	.....	5,045.00
Postage ..	.....	123.97
Delivery ..	.....	10.00
Sundry Printing ..	.....	34.25
Pins for Staff ..	.....	6.14
Editorial Pictures ..	.....	18.22
Bank Charges ..	.....	3.65
	.....	5,261.25
Editorial Expenses:		
Salary ..	.....	97.33
Cuts ..	.....	29.91
Office Sundries ..	.....	24.25
Telegrams and Telephone ..	.....	18.44
Postage ..	.....	11.86
Newspapers ..	.....	7.78
Lighting ..	.....	20.00
Travelling Expenses ..	.....	32.74
	.....	242.33
Surplus—Excess Receipts ..	.....	5,503.58
	.....	733.68
	.....	\$6,237.26

From the above statements it will be seen that the year's operation resulted in over \$1,800 being added to Profit and Loss Account. This account now stands at the tidy sum of \$5,913.37. There was a reduction in the profit of last year of between twelve and thirteen hundred dollars over the previous year. This is accounted for mainly by the reduction in the number of students registered in the University. The decrease in our receipts from Universal fees amounted to \$900. Athletic activities absorbed \$200 more than the previous session, minor activities accounting for the remaining \$200. Notwithstanding the fact of a reduction in the proportion of the Universal fees allotted to McGill Daily of \$450, the reduction in profits in this department amounted to only \$29, as other sources of subscription revenue were uncovered. When the handicap of such a small revenue from Universal fees is taken into consideration, the student body may be well pleased with the healthy financial condition of their Society.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT NOW WELL ON WAY.

Two more games were played off yesterday afternoon, R. J. Kramer, Med. '20, and F. J. Cunningham, Sci. '20. The honours were with the Meds., Kramer winning two sets, 6-1, 6-2.

In the Freshmen's singles, A. Bocas, Arts '21, won his game over F. Adams, with the score 6-0, 6-4. Should the weather continue fair there is no reason why the tournament should not be completed this year.

Take advantage of Saturday for both Singles and Doubles.

CERCLE FRANCAIS.

A meeting of the Cercle Français will be held in the Smoking Room of the Arts Building at 4 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 18th. All those who wish to become members of the Society are requested to be present, as well as the old members. Important business is to be discussed, and a vice-president and secretary will be elected for the coming season. The Cercle Français is one of the most popular clubs in the University, and a large attendance is expected.

as they finally did, breathing threats of all kinds.

It is most regrettable in every way that men entering a University like McGill should stoop to act in this fashion, and lower our college in the eyes of all beholders. So far as can be learned it was the freshmen upon whom the chief blame should fall for the occurrence of this incident, which establishes a very unfortunate precedent as an attack on Y. M. C. A. property.

EDITORIAL NOTE.

Seldom has the Daily received, and with more appreciation, a compliment such as that expressed in the following editorial note clipped from the columns of "The Mississippian":

"With a rattling good editorial, 'Our American Brothers,' the McGill Daily, of Montreal, extends congratulations to the college men of America for their entry into the war, and expresses confidence in the leading part they are to play in the conflict overseas.

"Thanks, McGill! We admire the spirit of Canada, and will feel satisfied if we can equal her brave deeds."

MANDOLIN CLUB.

The Mandolin Club will continue playing during the present season, if sufficient support is found among the student body.

All the old members were present at Monday's meeting, and were unanimous in their desire to "carry on." Though great enthusiasm was evinced, the attendance showed a lack of interest among the First Year men. Surely out of the large Freshman classes there must be several mandolin, guitar or banjo players.

We make an appeal to all men who can play to turn out with the Club at the next meeting, Thursday, the 18th, at 7:15 p.m. just before drill, in the Band Room, at the Union.

If you are at all interested, ask any of the following men for further information: Prof. Reilly, Physics Building. A. A. Scott, Physics Building. Notman, Med. '20. McQueen, Med. '21. Moquin, Sci. '19 (Chem. Building). Binmore, Sci. '19 (Chem. Building). McCullough, Sci. '21, (Chem. Building).

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

Sixth University Company give attractive trench display.

C. O. T. C. start Officers' course.

Freshies initiated at Presbyterian College.

R. V. C. do good war work.

Mayor of Manitoba addresses Macabean Circle.

McGill prepare to play "Carnarvon" sailors.

Students' Council financial report.

LOST.

On Monday last, an umbrella from the stand in the McGill Union. Will the finder please return to Mr. Culver at the Union as soon as possible.

DENTAL SOCIETY HOLDS FIRST REGULAR MEETING

Dr. Thornton Addresses Dentals on Interesting Topic—President Elected.

The first regular meeting of the Dental Society was held in the new Medical Building on Monday evening. The attendance was the largest in the history of the society, which augurs well for its success during the present session. The election of a president was rendered necessary owing to the resignation of Mr. J. S. Common, who now holds a commission in the Royal Flying Corps. This resulted in Mr. Rooney being returned to fill the office.

Dr. A. W. Thornton, Dean of the Department of Dentistry, then addressed the society. He pointed out the advantages of dentistry as a profession, and showed its growing importance as a part of the healing art. He said that ideal conditions under which to study dentistry were in close connection with the study of Medicine, and these conditions were provided at McGill.

After Dr. Thornton's address a short business meeting was held. It was decided to tender a reception to the First Year students, following the precedent set a year ago, and which proved such a success, and which The meeting then adjourned.

WHAT'S ON.

TO-DAY.

3.30 p.m.—Arts and Law vs. Medicine.
8.00 p.m.—C.O.T.C. drill.

COMING.

Oct. 19—University Sports.
Oct. 20—R.V.C. vs. Macdonald at Tennis.
Oct. 22—Arts' Election for President and Secretary of Undergraduate Society.
Oct. 25—Election of Hockey representative.

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One of the things most objectionable to us is criticism of ourselves or our work. As a general rule, we dislike nothing so much as having our mistakes pointed out to us. It is indeed very disagreeable to be forced to listen to severe criticism of what we have tried hard to do, and have considered almost perfect. We feel disappointed, discouraged and strongly tempted to give up and never try again.

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Two Well-known Men Nominated for Presidency of the Hockey Club.

"Pat" Rooney and "Bill" Hughes have been nominated for the position of President of the Hockey Club. The election is to take place on Friday, October 25th. Following are the nominations:

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and hindered by faculty work, had tried to attain to perfection. Let us therefore solicit the criticism of others, and not confine ourselves to one point of view, remembering Burns' exclamation: "Oh, wad some power the giftie gie us! To see oursel's as others see us! It wad frae monie a blunder free us, And foolish notion."

"PAT" ROONEY,



WHO WILL RUN FOR HOCKEY CLUB.

FRESHIES ARE "EASY STUFF" FOR AUTOISTS.

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The Daily representatives, who had thus far succeeded in keeping rather vaguely in touch with affairs ran out of copy paper, and after a heartrending sprint to the office, landed the story safely, though lamentably incomplete, in the compositor's lap.

YALE'S ATHLETIC POLICY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Professor R. N. Corwin, chairman of Yale's athletic board, in a statement printed on Friday in the Yale Daily News, officially outlines the New Haven University's athletic policy. His comments follow in part:

"There is no plan to discourage or curtail athletics, but rather to give it a specific aim and to make it available and useful to every man who is looking for service. But we ought to make it clear to ourselves that we cannot make athletics serve a military purpose unless we give it all possible support.

"I have been asked to outline our athletic problem. This I am glad to do, for in this we have a task, which, though by no means simple or easy, will be as successfully met as have been our other problems if clearly understood and grasped in time.

"Those in highest authority in Washington have stated that Universities can best help the cause by a continuance of athletic training and athletic sports, since these are an essential part of military training and discipline. At the summer meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association a special plea was made to the Universities that they should maintain athletic sports, in view of the importance of these sports in the military task before the country. Moreover, explicit orders have been issued that athletic exercises should be maintained and encouraged in the army and navy.

"These statements and orders seem to make the duty of the University clear in the matter of athletics, and our Board of Control and those undergraduates most closely identified with athletics agree that it is our duty to make athletic sports subservient to military training.

"Yale's problem is, therefore, to give our athletics a military basis and purpose during the term of the war. This cannot be done by reviving our old-time intercollegiate schedules or devoting all of our resources to the development of nine or eleven men of surpassing skill and endurance. What is needed is rather recreation and exercise for every man who is physically fit so that he may be better equipped for serving his country and, the cause of humanity in this time of peril. But we ought to make clear to ourselves that we shall not make athletics serve a military purpose unless we give athletics all possible support under the conditions prescribed. As President Hadley said at the matriculation service, 'Every man of us is constructively in service,' and a man cannot take his physical exercise vicariously any more than he can get his military training at second hand.

"It seems to me, therefore, that it is up to all Yale men who are interested in athletics and believe that athletics is essential to college life and to military life to understand that there is no plan to curtail or discourage athletics, but rather to give it a specific aim and to make it available and useful to every man who is looking for service."

EXPERIMENTS WITH CORN.

ATLANTA, Ga.—Experiments are being conducted with corn in the five southern states of Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama. In 10 counties in each State and on two farms in each county, to obtain data as to the proportion of yield due solely to the application of nitrate of soda. The purpose of these experiments is to show the price at which farmers can afford to use this fertilizer. They are being conducted in accordance with directions issued by the Secretary of Agriculture to the bureau of plant industry. Last spring to make 100 experiments.

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